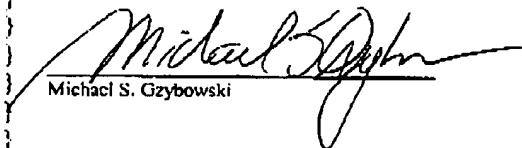


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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed May 8, 2006 in connection with the above-identified application, please amend the application as follows.

**Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of the claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.**

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